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In the Classroom | In Conference Room A | In Conference Room B
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2-2:45 | Create Your Digital Portfolio with Kent Craig | The Ethics of Writing & Citation Management with Kate Langan | Drop-in Research Q & A

3-3:45 | Preparing to Publish with Ed Eckel | Hidden Gems of the Library with Maria Perez-Stable | Drop-in Research Q & A

4-4:45 | Create Your Digital Portfolio with Kent Craig | Thinking ahead: Dissertations & Theses with Maira Bundza | Drop-in Research Q & A

What you can expect in each session
None of these sessions require prior knowledge and we will incorporate all experience levels. If you are able, please bring a laptop or other web-enabled device as it will greatly enhance your experience.

Create Your Digital Portfolio
- Create a professional portfolio in SelectedWorks http://scholarworks.wmich.edu/sw_gallery.html
- Learn how to upload photos, CVs, papers, presentations, and other scholarly or creative works
- This is a hands-on workshop. Please come with files (photos, CVs, papers, presentations) that you can add to your digital portfolio

The Ethics of Writing & Citation Management
Identify the benefits and usefulness of citation management software (CMS)
Learn how to get the most out of CMS to organize different research projects
Define plagiarism and various forms it takes and where to go to help avoid plagiarism
Discuss the ethics of writing, plagiarism in particular, and how CMS can help you
Learn how to fold ethical writing practices into your research in order to avoid plagiarism

Preparing to Publish
Generate a list of potential journals for future publication
Stay current of scholarship and identify who is citing publications essential to your research
Find submission requirements for journals of interest

Hidden Gems of the Library
Become more conversant with searching library catalogs, especially for books and electronic books
Select and explore relevant databases in their respective disciplines
Do more thorough literature searches on their topic by using advanced features and techniques

Thinking Ahead: Dissertations & Theses
Find other dissertations in their field from the U.S. and internationally
Understand depositing options for their dissertations in ProQuest and in ScholarWorks, the WMU institutional repository
Become familiar with rules for reusing copyrighted material in one's own work

Drop-in Research Q & A
Concurrent with the workshops, librarians will be available for more informal, individual Q & A. This is a great opportunity for you to meet research librarians and discuss more specific questions relevant to your particular research needs.